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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- A semiconductor integrated circuit comprising:
- a sub reset signal generator for generating a plurality of sub power-on reset signals at timings different from each other; and
 - a main reset signal generator for generating a main power-on reset signal to initialize an internal circuit, according to at least one from any of said sub power-on reset signals.
 - 2. A semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 1, wherein said main reset signal generator comprises:
- a plurality of pulse generators for respectively generating a pulse in synchronization with a transition edge for each of said sub power-on reset signals; and
 - a composite circuit for synthesizing the pulses to generate said main power-on reset signal.
 - 3. A semiconductor integrated circuit comprising:
- a sub reset signal generator for generating a sub power-on reset signal;
 - a reset terminal for receiving an external power-on reset signal; and
- a main reset signal generator for generating a main 25 power-on reset signal to initialize an internal circuit, according to at least one of said sub power-on reset signal and said external power-on reset signal.
 - 4. A semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 3, wherein said main reset signal generator comprises:
- a plurality of pulse generators for respectively generating a pulse in synchronization with a transition edge for each of said sub power-on reset signal and said external power-on reset signal; and
- a composite circuit for synthesizing said pulses to generate said main power-on reset signal.
 - 5. A semiconductor integrated circuit comprising:

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a sub reset signal generator for generating a plurality of sub power-on reset signals at timings different from each other;

a reset terminal for receiving an external power-on reset signal; and

a main reset signal generator for generating a main power-on reset signal to initialize an internal circuit, according to at least one from any of said sub power-on reset signals and said external power-on reset signal.

10 6. A semiconductor integrated circuit according to claim 5, wherein said main reset signal generator comprises:

a plurality of pulse generators for respectively generating a pulse in synchronization with a transition edge for each of said sub power-on reset signals and said external power-on reset signal; and

a composite circuit for synthesizing said pulses to generate said main power-on reset signal.

7. A method of initializing a semiconductor integrated circuit comprising the steps of:

generating a plurality of power-on reset signals according to a plurality of sub power-on reset signals at timings different from each other; and

initializing an internal circuit according to at least one from any of said power-on reset signals.